

A RESOLUTION BY THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

A RESOLUTION **AUTHORIZING** THE SETTLEMENT IN THE CASE OF RONALD DIAMOND VS. THE ATLANTA EMPOWERMENT ZONE CORPORATION, SUPERIOR COURT OF FULTON COUNTY GEORGIA, CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. 2004CV79895, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$54,700.00; **AUTHORIZING** THE FINANCIAL OFFICER TO DISTRIBUTE THE SETTLEMENT AMOUNT FROM FUND ACCOUNT AND CENTER NUMBER 1A01 (GENERAL FUND)-529017 (PROPERTY LIQUIDATION)-T31001 (NON-DEPARTMENTAL).

WHEREAS, RONALD DIAMOND V. ATLANTA EMPOWERMENT ZONE CORPORATION, is a case in which the Plaintiff, Ronald Diamond, sued the Atlanta Empowerment Zone Corporation ("AEZC") for wrongful termination. Plaintiff alleged that he was improperly removed as the Executive Director of the AEZC; and

WHEREAS, Plaintiff alleged that the AEZC informed that they were ceasing payment of Plaintiff's salary resulting in a termination; and

WHEREAS, the Plaintiff has agreed to \$54,700.00 as full settlement of all claims against the Atlanta Empowerment Zone Corporation, inclusive of attorney's fees; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney has done extensive review of the facts and the law and has determined that the City's potential financial exposure in defending Plaintiff's claim is in excess of the settlement amount; and

WHEREAS, the settlement of the case of RONALD DIAMOND V. ATLANTA EMPOWERMENT ZONE CORPORATION shall not be deemed to be an admission of liability or wrongdoing on the part of the City, AEZC, or any other current or former employee or agent of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney considers it to be in the best interest of the City to pay the amount of \$54,700.00 to settle the above-described claims.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Attorney is hereby authorized to settle the case of RONALD DIAMOND V. ATLANTA EMPOWERMENT ZONE CORPORATION in the amount of Fifty-four thousand seven hundred dollars (\$54,700.00) less federal and state withholding.

SECTION 2. That the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to pay to Attorney Yolanda Johnson, on behalf of Ronald Diamond, the sum of \$54,700.00, and to charge such sum to Fund Account and Center No. 1A01(General Fund)-529017 (Property Liquidation)-T31001(Non-Departmental).

A true copy

ADOPTED by the Council
RETURNED WITHOUT SIGNATURE OF THE MAYOR
APPROVED as per City Charter Section 2-403

June 20, 2005

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